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Applicant: Hiroyuki KINO et al.

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Title: METHOD OF FIRING MAGNETIC
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 26, 2001, the period for response to which has been extended to April 26, 2002, by the accompanying Petition for One-Month Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please replace claims 1, 5, 11-13 and 15 with the following claims:

1. A method of firing magnetic cores comprising the steps of:
- providing a plurality of flattened-ring compact bodies made of a magnetic material and having flattened through holes;
 - attaching a powder made of an organic material to an outer surface of the

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